

THE  
Sad Effects  
OF  
CRUELTY  
DETECTED;

Being an Impartial Account of the poor  
Woman, near *Temple-Barr*, lately temp-  
ted in her Distraction to *Make away her self*.

Whose *Temptation* and *Distraction* proceeded not  
from her Owning the *Quakers*, their Meetings or  
Principles (as hath been most Maliciously suggested)  
but from the Devil & a Wicked Husband (pre-  
vailing upon her own Infirmary) as is here  
by briefly (yet apparently) evinced.

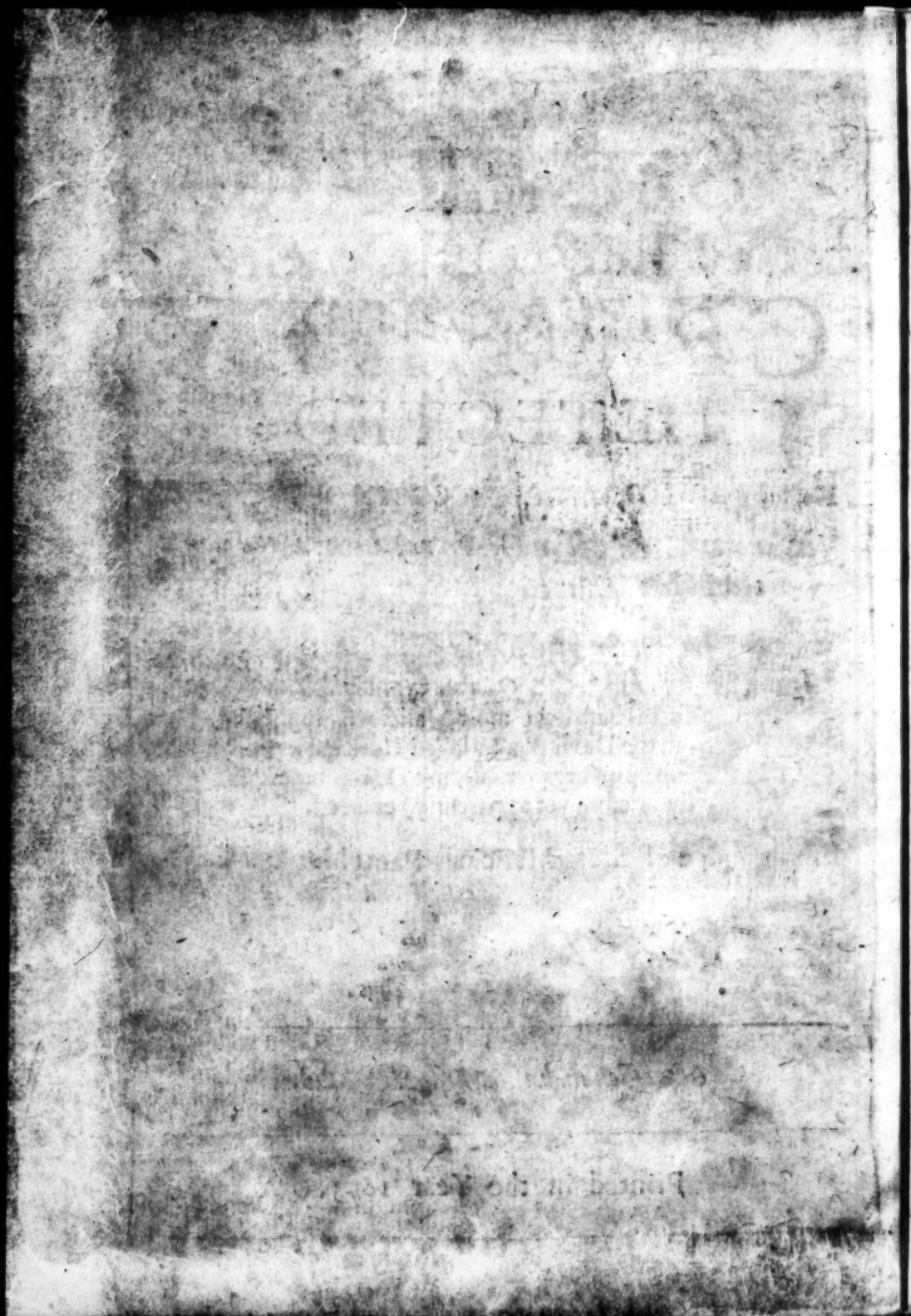
In Pursuance of a late Malicious Pamphlet and Falla-  
cious Account, entituled, *The Sad and Dreadful End*  
of One of the QUAKERS, &c.

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*Oppression maketh a Wise Man Mad.*

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## THE Sad Effects of Cruelty DETECTED.

**T**Here being of late published a Scandalous Pamphlet, the Author of which having exposed divers Lyes to the View of the World, it seems, chose to conceal his Name, to avoid the Shame that such Deeds are truly worthy of; the Purport of which Paper is to present the World with *Sad and Dreadful News*, viz. *That one of the Quakers Speakers was lately tempted by the Devil to Make Away her self*: Which, if true, would no doubt prove very sad News indeed to most Well-wishers, who know that People, that any one of their Speakers (as he is pleased to term her) should come to such a Dreadful End: But although this Unknown and Envious Scribler is not worthy to be taken notice of, yet to the end that the Truth of things might appear, and for the clearing that People, and their Principle of *the Light of Christ in man*, from those Lyes and False Suggestions, which he hath published, is this written.

In Page 1. he would seem to give his Judgment of the *Complexion of their Tenets, and Nature of their Principles*; and so goeth on thus, *To say nothing of their General Constitution of Body, which is Morose, Sullen, Reserved and Melancholy.*

If this be to say nothing, it must be thus rendered, He could say nothing worse.

Pag. 1. *They depend upon an Uncertain Light and Private Spirit.*

By this his Assertion he proveth nothing, nor yet rendreth he one Argument in order for Proof of either; and so, needeth no Confutation, it being so apparent an Untruth.

Page 2. *She was a Well-meaning Woman, and was frequently Admitted to hold forth at their Meetings, and did Speak.*

If she was a Well-meaning Woman, then was her Husband the more to be blamed for his Wicked and Cruel Usages towards her: But for her being ADMITTED to Speak in our Meetings, its false; for she never had Admittance to any such kind of Speaking, from or by any of our Meetings: But for her sometimes dropping some insignificant Words, she was admonished and several times exhorted to Forbearance; she being to the Knowledge of several of us, that knew her, not settled in the Knowledge of the Truth, but under Exercise, and liable to Temptations.

Page 2. *That her Husband is of good Repute, and in his Judgment was always firm to the Church of England, and not a little troubled to see his Wife tracing these Extravagant By-Paths of Schism, and often admonished her to forsake them: But there is no disputing with Fire and Brimstone.*

As for his Judgment, be it what it will, of this we are sure, That if the Tree be to be known by its Fruit, it is then no matter what his Judgment was, and that neither he, nor his Manner of Admonition, did at all adorn the Church of England; since that his Carriage and Practice was so Bad and Inhumane to his Wife, as divers of us can prove it to have been for divers years past, viz. *His keeping her a Prisoner in*

Let him Deny these things if he can, before his Neighbours, who know his Behaviour towards his Wife,

*his own House, and sometime Beating her with a Cudgel or Cane, in that Horrible manner, that no good Man would so beat his Dog, if he loved him; he Beating her often with cruel Blows, as Butchers do their Oxen: Many times, to our Knowledge, hath he sought her out of our Meetings, and there hath he fallen a Beating her, with both his Hands on his Staff, in a most Barbarous Manner, sometimes on her Head, Shoulders, and where his Fury could first hit; and from thence divers times Dragging her forth, and Driving her home, as Butchers do their Beasts, although she never, as we know of, refused to go with him: And other times he would so Kick and Pinch her, that her Arms and Shins would be Black,*  
and



and Torn with such Holes, that the poor Woman hath doubted of her Recovery again; she often fearing, that at one time or another he would, by these his Doings, Kill her: He would so Beat her with his Fist, that her Eyes and Face would be so Swelled and Black and Blew, that it was often visible to the Neighbourhood: And at other times, as we have been informed by her own Mouth, that when he hath come Home in Drink, he hath pulled her out of the Bed, in her Shift, and so beaten her, that she hath been forced to down on her Knees to beg him to spare her Life: And since all this, for above a Year, hath he kept her most of it Close Prisoner, lockt up in one Room in his House, not suffering any Body (except whom he had a mind) to come to her, she being Lockt up by her self till very late, when he hath been a broad a Drinking: and these for divers Years continued Cruel Usages of her Husband, we verily believe, was a great Cause of her being Distempered in Mind, and might most probably be the Cause of Melancholy seizing her Spirits (for as the Scripture said, *Oppression maketh a Wise Man mad*; and much more it may a Weak Woman) and not as this Reviling Author would suggest it to be the *Product of Adhering to the Quakers Light*; by which his Envy against the Light, and the Doctrine thereof, is manifest; but we say, Considering the continual Sufferings and Barbarous Usage, the underwent for many Years together, and at last her Imprisonment by her Husband in his own House till within about three Weeks before she Dyed, cannot well escape the Judgment of most Moderate People to determine the Matter, but that her unnatural Husband was really (as an Instrument of Satan) the Cause of bringing her into that sad State of Destruction: And if this be his *Admonition*, the Lord deliver all good Men and Women from all such *Admonishers*. And for his being *firm in his Judgment to the Church of England*; these Actions are not at all to his Praise or Honour.

Pag. 3. *She continued her Fanatick Rambles, and was constant Resident to the Bull-and-Mouth and Devonshire House.*

How this can be, we leave it to the Unprejudiced to judge, for this we can prove, *That for the greatest part of One Year and Half before she Dyed, she was lockt up in a Room with a Padlock on the Outside, to secure her.*

Page 3, & 4. *This poor Woman going out Very Well in Health of Body and Mind, as to all peoples Apprehensions, so the usual Admonition of Quakers, on Sunday the 7th of this Instant November, Satan (as appeareth by the sequel) took the Advantage to Delude her, by representing strange Chima as to her Fancy, which she entertained as Heavenly Revelations; and in Contemplation thereof stayed out all Night, but Waere, she would not tell; nor is it yet known; on Monday she came Home, and seemed in a strange Rapture.*

This is so gross an Untruth, that there is scarce a man to be found, but would be ashamed to publish it; for the Woman was Dead that day, and as he saith himself, was buried on the 9th of this Instant November; by which, without further Proof than by his own Pamphlet, any indifferent Reader may suspect his Account. But observe how he goeth about to insinuate into the Minds of people, as if she had been Well in her Senses, and that her going to a Meeting had wrought such an Effect upon her; wheras we can prove, that the first time of late that we saw her abroad, she was Distempered in her Mind, which was about Two or Three Weeks before she Dyed, being in the Evening, about the middle of the Week, when it seems her Husband had let her into his Shop, and going aside, she got out for an Hour or two.

And as for his strange News at the latter end of his Paper, concerning the Nurse as tended her; she is still, for ought we know, living, and was Well several dayes after, as one of his own Family hath informed: But if there was any other, that once watched with her, & after the Woman's Death did affright her self with her own Fancies, adding thereto the Sight of the *Bell-man's Dog*, is the most as we can gather from Information. So that for the rest of the *Libeller's Admonition*, with which he concludes, its not worth minding, because such men's Bondage is apparent that cannot speak Truth, and they are certainly already seduced by Satan, who is and ever was the Father of Lyes, who hath instigated his *Agents* to write and spread many Scandalous Lying Pamphlets, to Defame us, and blaspheme the Truth professed

fessed by us; but they shall be rewarded according to their Works.

This is written and given forth by several of us who are call'd *Quakers*, belonging to *Westminster End*, who were in a great measure Eye and Ear-Witnesses of this poor Woman's Grievous Sufferings and Barbarous Usage; and farther ready to attack the same, if Occasion require.

## Postscript.

**T**HE Case contracted, as its unjustly insinuated against us, is thus, Because the poor Woman aforesaid, who sometimes came to our Meetings, occasionally fell into Distraction and Temptation, therefore both Us, our Meetings, our Religion & Light, are represented Reproachfully to the World, reflected upon and branded as Obnoxious, Schism, Heresy, Uncertain, Delusive, &c. (Oh horrid Injustice and gross Unreasonableness!)

But the Husband of this poor Woman, who hath most barbarously used her, and as a Wicked Engine of Satan, acted his Cruelty (enough to bring all that Distemper upon her, and to destroy her) He is represented as a Man of Good Reputation, & one whose Judgment was alwayes firm to the Church of England, and as a very serious Admonisher of his Wife against her By-Paths of Schism; as if he had endeavoured the Saving of her Soul by his Barbarity, his cruelly Beating and Abusing of her Body. Oh horrid Impiety, Hypocrisie and Wickedness! The Just God will judge for these things. And let all the Sons of the Church of England, and others concerned, take Warning hereby, not to be Cruel to their Wives, &c. for Differences in Judgment or Opinion; but be Tender and Compassionate, as becometh Christians, and as they expect Forgiveness from (or will Answer) the Great God, who will judge Righteously.

THE END

